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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 20, 2003 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to an October 20, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 20, 2003 Office Action was originally due November 20, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status and such status is still applicable. The required fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is \$55.00 and a check in this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the October 20, 2003 Office Action is now due December 20, 2003. However, since December 20, 2003 is a Saturday, a response on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, i.e. Monday, December 22, 2003, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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